### HAWAIIANS BILKED **BY COUNTRYMEN IN BIG LAND FRAUDS**

Territorial Officials Reported To Action For Ejectment Against Be Hard On Trail of Alleged Land Sharks

WOMAN WANTS PROPERTY DEEDED TO D. K. DIMOND

Mrs. Heleloa Declares That Thirty Acres Were Obtained From Her By Swindle

Territorial officials are working upon they say is a big land fraud, by which a number of humble Hawaiian men and women have been defranded lands belonging to them by slick

ne of the cases which have com der the observation of the official pitiful in the extreme. One in parar, that of a woman well past ghty years old, and destitute save thirty acres of land in the Koolau district, has enlisted the personal sup-Mrs. H. Helelon, is said to have been spossessed of her holding on the op-saite side of Oahu, by Dick K. Di-ond, a Hawaiisa. The understanding it is alleged, was that the property wa to be sold on commission and the bulk of the money, \$300 or \$400 turned over

No Action Taken Instead of selling the property Di mond, is said to have "sat down and waited," doing nothing to dispose of the land, until Mrs. Helelon took the matter up with some of her friends, the suggested that she go to Charles A. K. Hopkins, a land agent.

When Hopkins heard the story he advised Mrs. Helelon to go at once to the attorney general. There she laid her case before Deputy Attorney General Heen. Heen at once took ac tion, getting in touch with Dimond, and demanding that the property be onveyed to Mrs. Helelon. Dimond. is asserted, promised to do this, and lid make out a conveyance, which he gave to Mrs. Helelon to have filed.

While on her way to file the paper so the story runs, Mrs. Helelon showed to a friend, and it was found that of thirty acres, the amount leeded to Dimond by Mrs. Helelon in the first place, only twenty-two acres were mentioned in the conveyance. nd Borry For Mistake

woman then went again to the attorney general's office, and Heen again began a search for Dimond. When found the man apologized for his mistake, and said that he would at once make out a correct conveyance After waiting for some weeks, and finding that nothing had been done Heen advised that a proper conveyance Mrs. Helelon, be made out and ed in the hands of a notary public, been done. The Hawaiian again pro mised that he would sign the instru ment, but though several weeks have ed he has not done so.

Instead of that, he recently trans ferred all of his property, which he estimates at between \$75,000 and \$80,000 to his sons, "for love and \$1."

That transfer, it is alleged, contained mong other parcels of had, the thirty This is the status of the Helelon case st present, and Heen declines to say what step he will take next. One of Several Cases

The Helelon case, it is asserted by of more than thirty similar cases i which Dimond has been involved. It all of them, it is said, the plan followed was practically the same Ignorant Ha waiinn owners of patches of land were persuaded to sell, and Dimond offered act as agent in the transaction of commission basis. Olittering prom were made, it is said, and the owners induced to give quit claim deeds to ond could get more money if the property appeared to be his own. simply waited. In many cases, the story goes, he did not have to wait very long, for the owners died, leaving Dimond with a deed that gave him a clear claim to the property. Holdings Amount To \$75,000

Only in one or two instances has he heen forced to reconvey land obtained in this fashion, and his holdings have inted to considerable size-he him elf puts an estimate of \$75,000 upon

Dimond it is asserted is not the only one who is working this game successfully in the Territory. It has been done in Maui, on Hawaii and Kauai with varying degrees of success, and is still being done. It is difficult to prove anything illegal against the perperators, say attorneys who have investiated the cases but in one or two in tances the operators have left themives liable. Unless restitution is ade in these cases Territorial officials clare that they can proceed criminal y against the swindlers.

### PERMANENT COMFORT

A trip by the mayor and several of the supervisors to Kapiolani Park yes running a gambling game, arday confirmed the claim made by The machines sell gum opervisor Hollinger that the rest staciation for the use of the park, being operated. The city is to get ten per cent of the ceenipts of the two days' racing.

## BISHOP ESTATE SUES TO RECOVER KAWAILOA LAND

Waialua Agricultural Company Filed In Circuit Court

TRACT SAID TO BE WORTH ABOUT MILLION DOLLARS

Trustees Claim Sugar Corpora tion Has Failed To Cultivate Tract As Agreed

Claiming that the Waialua Agricul aral Company has not lived up to the evenant contained in the lease made o it by the trustees of the Bernice Caunhi Bishop Estate, wherein the com any obligated itself, under pains of orefeiture of the leuse for failure t omply with the covenant, to cultivate he land to its follest productivenes and atmost acreage, W. O. Smith, S. M Damon, E. Faxon Bishop, A. F. Jude and A. W. Carter, trustees under the sill of the late Bernice Paunhi Bishop astituted in the circuit court shortly efore noon yesterday a suit in inject nent against the Waialua Agricultural ompany

The tract from which the trustees eck to eject the company in question the land known as Kawailon, near Waislus, this island, and which con ains 14,685 neves, under lease to the ompany. The lense has about twenty ears more to run. The land, includ ng the improvements thereon, it is be eved, is worth in the neighborhood f \$.,000,000. The law firm of Holm s & Olson represents the trustees.

Action Expected For Some Time That such a suit would likely be prought at an early date has been thown for three weeks or more here. at it was believed latterly that the natters in dispute between the estate nd the company be compromised and hat an appeal to the tribunals would ot become necessary. The attempt at ompromising, if any there was made, aust have failed evidently.

The big and valuable tract of land as to have been cultivated in its enirety and to its atmost capacity and reductiveness by the lessee, the de endant company, according to the erms of the lease under which the Wa alun Agricultural Company bad securd control of the land, is the conten ion made in the complaint.

The Bishop Estate trustees claim in heir suit that the company has not ived up to its agreement and that a creat portion of the big tract of land emains at this time uncultivated and that is under cultivation is not cultiated as highly and intensely as it figim Immediate Possession

ee simple to the piece or parcel of ad above described by marchage; to vit, by devise under the will of the aid Bernice Pauahi Bishop," is one of the several allegations made in the omplaint of the bill for ejectment, It is also alleged by the trustees that the defendant herein has unjustly and ontrary to the law and the rights of he plaintiffs berein, entered into por ession and occupancy of the said par-el of land" from which it is now aight to eject the Wainlan Agricult-

eral Company. The present lease, which the trustees my the company has forfeited because of failure to live up to its terms, has bout twenty years more to run. It is ontended by the trustees of the estate avs one of the attorneys representing bem, that from the very beginning of he lease the Wainlua Agricultural Company has neglected and failed to ultivate the land in the manner proided for in the lease and that certain ortions of the tract have not been put inder cultivation of any kind, what-

ver, and lie unused.

Company Holds Vast Estate The Wainlas Sugar Company has unter its control 41,800 acres of land. Of his acreage it owns in fee simple 4017 agres, the remainder, or 37,783 acres being under lease to it, including the Kawailoa land of the Bishop Estate, containing 14,685 acres, which figures n the present suit. Of the 37,783 seres under lease to the company 8273 acres come under the class known as "cane land," the remainder, or 29,010 acres, being considered fit only for pasturage and other than cultivation purposes.

In concluding the prayer of the hill for ejectment the trustees ask the court to order the company in question to

vacate the land and allow the trustees of the Bishop estate to regain posses sion of it. They also ask that the costs of the suit may be taxed against the defendant company.

### OWNER OF VENDING MACHINES ARRESTED

On the complaint of Deputy Sheriff Asch, A. W. Beeson, proprietor of the STATION FOR BIG PARK vending machines which are being installed in several places in the city, was arrested vesterday charged with

The machines sell gum and every once in so often trade checks come to be erected there should be out with the gum. These checks are seed near the tennis courts under the good for so much in trade and it is the mayan tree. The station will cost a uncertainty as to whether the man put nd dollars and will be financed ting his nickel in the machine will get out of the portion of the money paid the gum without the checks, or with, to the city by the Polo and Racing that makes the police think a lottery is

The matter will be thrushed out in the police court.

# HARBOR AT KAHULUI

Vessels Entering and Leaving In Constant Danger of Grounding

Immediate work upon the harbor at Kahului, Maui, is vitally necessary, if the present menace to vessels using the port is to be averted, according to a etatement made to the board of harbor continuationers by Chairman Charles R.

orbes at yesterday's meeting. The harbor, said Mr. Forbes, has been thing up rapidly, and has become so ng are in constant danger of ground ng. He urged the board to take ac on at once to have the port cleared

J. E. Sheedy, of the Inter-Island team Navigation Company, told the or and believes that 6000 yards of xeavation will be sufficient. The board authorized the prepare on of plans and specifications for the

Bills and payrolls aggregating almost 5000 were approved by the board, and large amount of routine work, which and been accumulating for several seeks was disposed of. However, much emains to be done and a special meeting was called for tonight, at half-past even o'clock.

# **UDGE STUART GRANTED**

Says His Resignation Was Directed To President Wilson

Judge Stuart has been granted a sixy-day leave of absence from the Teritory by Attorney General Gregory. The leave will terminate before the exty days, however, should his resignation as circuit judge be necepted by President Wilson. The proviso was made at Judge Stuart's suggestion. "My resignation was directed to the President and not to the judiciary department in Washington," said Stuart vesterday. "I know that some steps have been taken concerning it, but do not know what has been lique. It is in the hands of others to manage, and matters move slowly in Washington. "My resignation will surely be ac epted when it is reached. There are no strings to it. I consider myself out in of the way of any one who desires

to apply for the office. The permission to leave the Terri-tory came to Judge Stuart in a letter received by him yesterday from the attorney general. Judge Stuart expects to leave on June 1 for the mainland. He will go to St. Louis where he will attend the Democratic national convention, to which he was recently elected as an alternate from Hawaii

# That the plaintiffs claim the right of immediate possession of and title in the simple to the piece or pared of

Territory Pays Large Sum Into Coffers of Municipality

The city treasury was enriched, by the payment of \$100,000 by the Territory yesterday. This money was distributed by the treasurer in the permanent improvement fund, the Manos improvement fund, the school fund and

The registered warrants of the last two funds will be called for payment today and hereafter all road and school warrants will be paid at the treasurer's office on presentation.

By the middle of June the general tense for a couple of months.

## SHORTAGE OF CARGO MUST BE DEEPENED CARRIERS NOTICED NOW COMES THE

Withdrawal of American Ships From the Pacific Affects **Business Interests** 

Business letters from China say that shortage of specialties in fine laces, embroideries, rugs and curios in the American market owing to the European war has resulted in a rush of New York buyers to various Chinese cities. According to the The Americas, a large business is being done in Chinese rugs for shipment to the United States as the rugs from Persia and Central Asia cannot now be obtained. First quality Peking rugs that were formerly a drug on the market at \$1.50 Mexican a foot are now selling as high as three dollars for the 90-strand and three dollars and a quarter for the 100-strand pieces: The rug industry at Peking is not large enough to find output to meet the new demand and all looms are contracted for half a year ahead. Experts regard the demand as only temporary and there will hardly be any increase in the output. Tientain is also furnishing a large quantity of rugs, and these modern Mongolian floor coverings are regarded as cheap for their quality and style, so that the trade in these may be permanent.

business interests China are seriously affected by the withdrawal of American ships from the Pacific as a result of the Seamen's Act, One corporation is reported to Act, One corporation is reported to have 300,000 tons of freight waiting transportation, with only 1200 to 1400 tons cargo space available per month for the particular class involved. Although the freight rates are from three to six times what they used to be, ship-ping is not made available. From the Pacific Coast to Shanghai freights have advanced from four dollars to thirty dollars a ton, on cotton machinery nine dollars to thirty two dollars, on steel products eight dollars to forty dollars. Silk, moving eastward, pays pays a ton. Being valuable and remunera tive cargo, the increase is not relatively so great. One steamship concern is said to have refused 300 tons from Shanghai to San Francisco at thirty dollars a ton of freight that formerly paid eight dollars. A letter contains the following: Japan Controls Oriental Commerce

American

"Japanese ships" now practically ontrol the commerce between the control States and China, and these are or dered by the Japanese government to give Japanese ports the preference calling for cargo, while Japanese shippers in China receive preferen tial treatment. The British Enemy Trading Regulations as enforced China are also embarrassing to Ameri can trade because a large amount of this trade was handled through German and Austrian houses before the war The British shipping companies are forbidden to carry enemy-tainted cargo any cargo from which any enemy firms may directly or indirectly prof it; and the ship which has beer found to carry such cargo may be reregardless of the character of this later cargo. American firms are not allowed to ship on British ships either for Ger man or Austrians in China or the Unit ed States, or to those firms indirectly connected with such cargo, and this applies not alone to contrabrand, but to all goods. Strict inquisitorial ex aminations are made by the British authorities into all cargo offered for shipment on British ships by neutra!

The Japanese shipping companies under instructions, have placed a bar on enemy-tainted cargo offered by neutral firms. Both Chinese and Ameri can firms have suffered badly, as there are now few ships calling at Chine which are under the American flag. The Enemy Trading Regulations seem to be handled in a way to further British and Japanese interests as much as possible, whose shippers fare far better in securing space than do most Ameri cans. An American firm found guilty warrants registered, amounting to of trading with a German in any way about \$190,000, will all have been paid is blacklisted and henceforth refused and the registration of warrants will all basking and shipping facilities by the Allies."

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# SPORTS

# TOMBSTONE PLAY

Schofield Barracks Golf Club Stages Novel Event For **Decoration Day** 

Preparatory to the tombstone tourna nent to be held on Decoration Day, the Schofield Barracks Golf Club has is sucd a new handicap list for its play-ers. The new handicaps are based on the playing done in the Country Chib matches and in the continuous ladder tournament running in the club. Many players have made considerable im provement in their play, as shown by entings are as follows:

Mr. Greig, scratch; Lt. Snow, scratch; Lt. Schneider, 3; Lt. White, 7; Capt. McNab, 9; Capt. Donne, 10; Capt. Carey, 11; Maj. Horn, 12; Lt. Tinker 12; Capt. Loud, 12; Capt. Knight, 13; I.t. Sadtler, 13; I.t. Gonser, 14; L.
 Reardan, 14; Dr. Bliss, 14; Lt. Harbold,
 I.t. Lowe, 16; Lt. E. F. Rice, 16; Lt. Seara, 16; Capt. Jordan, 17; Capt. Lyon, 17; Lt. Chaney, 17; Maj. Tay-man, 18; Capt. Whitham, 20; Chap-Aiken, 20; Col. Sturgis, 18; Lt. Sneed, 20; Lt. Bratton, 22; Cel. Keefer, 22. Bemainder of club members have a

andicap of 24. The tombstone tournament is to be conducted with the bogey of the course figured as 77. Each tournament entrant will have a "tombstone" with his same and the number of strokes he is ntitled to take (77 plus his handleap). At the spot where his ball comes to rest after his last stroke, each player will erect his tombstone, for all the mourners to see. If any player holes out at the eighteenth hole in less than ris allotted number of strokes, he proceed to the number one tee and play out his allowance of strokes.

The tombstone farthest around the ourse will be decorated with a wreath of laurel, denoting the winner; and prizes will be awarded the three who 'died'' furthest to the front. A cup vill be awarded the winner of the cournament. Entrance fee, fifty cents ach player.

The ladies will have a similar tourns-ment on May 31. Already, the entry list contains more than a score names. The club is in a most flourishing conlition, having more than seventy mem-bers, not counting the ladies, as all of the members of an officer's family are ncluded in the club privileges.

Members joining in the last two nonths are Col. Hodges, Maj. Lacey, .t. C. H. Rice, Lt. Sadfler, Lt. Shedd .t. Truesdale, Capt. Whitam, I.t. Higgins, Lt. Philoon, Lt. Saunders, Lt. Sears, Dr. Duenner, Lt. Daly, Lt. Rumsey, and Lt. Daly, J. O.

# TENNIS ON KAUAI

Mail Special to The Advertiser) MAKAWELL, Libue, May 21 .- G. T. Greig and A. R. Glaisyer met W. M. Cooper and E. W. Carden in the second round of the Wall & Dougherty cup ournament on the Makawell courts to day. The match was one of the best that has been played in this tourna-ment, and all four men were in good form. After the first four games, in he first set, Carden and Cooper won he set easily with a score of 6-2. The next set, however, was very close, each team winning alternate games until the score became five all.

It looked several times as if Greig and Glaisyer would even up the score a sets but in the end Cooper and Carden won 7.5, thus winning the match. Greig played his usual strong game and Glaisyer did some fast work at the net and in service; Carden succeeded in getting in some of his difficult cut returns and Cooper, who appeared for the first time in a Kauai tournament, proved himself a steady and strong player. An enthusiastic crowd was out

Several new tennis men have began playing their favorite game on Garden Island courts and there has been some little discussion as to their appearing in the present tournament. A Kealia team, composed of Riddle and Howard of that district, is particularly strong and these men have put up some good fights against the tennismen of that part of the island. If no new teams enter, the present tournament is very nearly finished and there is strong probability of the former champions, Harris and Rice, keeping the trophy.

#### LUSITANA IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENTS ARE DUE

Assessments in Lusitana improvement district became payable on Monday. They will be delinquent on June 22, and after that time the assessments become liens on property. As soon as of the city attorney to begin suit to collect the whole of the assessment in one sum. Under the law the property owner assessed has the option of paying all at one time or in two equal annual instalments.

#### NOTHING MODEST ABOUT THIS BASEBALL SCORE

Yesterday, in a game of indoor base-ball, the Koyals defeated the Liliudkalania by the big score of 29 to 3. The I ilies threw up the sponge in the seventh inning. Jacob K. Zinimura pitched for the 

winners and, in addition, came across

# SANTA CLARA IS

Senior League Will Stage Ball Games Twice a Week From Now On

At a meeting of the Oahu Senior League, held in the city hall last night, the following schedule of the Santa Clara series was adopted:
Saturday, June 24—Santa Clara
Twenty fifth Infantry.
Sunday, June 25—Santa Clara vs.

Saturday, July 1-Santa Clara va Sunday, July 2 - Santa Clara vs. Chi-Tuesday, July 4-Santa Clara vs.

wenty fifth Infantry. Saturday, July 8-Santa Clara vs. St Sunday, July 9-Santa Clara vs. Ho nolulus. Saturday, July 15 Santa Clara vi

Chinese, Sunday July 16—Santa Clar vs. Twenty-fifth Infantry.
Saturday, July 22—Santa Clara vs. (open). Sunday, July 23—Santa Clara va

(open).

Ball fans from now on will be eatered to by the senior league on Saturdays as well as Sundays. A senior league game will be played each day prefaced by a game of teams of the junior league.
The schedule for the coming week

end is as follows: Saturday, May 27-Punahous vs. St Louis; Juniors vs. St. Louis; Sentor vs. Honolulus. Sunday, May 28-Nippons vs. Chi nese; Twenty-fifth Infantry vs. Chinese

A KNOTTY PROBLEM

In a recent game of baseball played at Fort Ruger between the 91st and 159th Companies, Coast Artillery Corps, the latter team won out in the eighth inning on the following play:
Runner on third started for home

while pitcher was on his slab, but before he had made any motion to deliver ball to the batter. The catcher covered home plate to receive the throw, thereby interfering with the batter.

Umpire ruled, under protest, that catcher made a balk, thereby entitling runner to score and batter to first base. The impire's decision was referred to lapt. Stayton, and the following is his raling on the play:

"This play has occurred several times in the Oabu League, and my ruling FOR COVETED CUP has always been that it was interference with the batter by the catcher. The runner on third is sent back and the batter given his base, in accordance with Section 5, Rule 53; Section 3, Rule 55; and Bule 36.

"This play, however, is ruled dif-ferently in the major leagues. One league president instructs his umpires to rule as above, while the other calls it a balk and allows the runner to score, in accordance with Section 3, Rule 54, and Section 9, Rule 34. This was last year's instruction, and I would suggest that letters be written to President Johnson and Tener, requesting information as to how their umpire are instructed to rule on this play. "The decisions given on Page 62 of the 1916 guide, are not rules of base-ball but Mr. Foster's interpretation of the rules, and, while he is an authority on baseball matters, he may not be entirely correct in some of his interpretations. I do not believe that it is entrect to call both a balk and interference with the batter in the play under consideration, as he seems to do in the Guide on Page 62."

#### ALFRED CASTLE WILL MEET MAINLAND CRACKS

A. L. Castle, who left for the main land on Tuesday, for a vacation, plans to play considerable tennis before re-turning to Hawaii nei. Castle is in the first flight of the local knights of the racket and the results of his encounters with tennis cracks in the States will be waited for with much interest by local enthusiasts.

#### PUNAHOU JUNIORS AT LAST GET TOGETHER

Punahou Juniors will make their de but in the Junior League shortly, according to reliable reports. The team has been a bit late getting togethe. but has been a bit late getting together, but expects to make up for lost time when they once get started. The following players are available for the team: Girdler, Littlejohn, Nottage, Winne, Brash, Fred Carter, Noble, O'P. wdd. Zabrickie, Keppeler, Cummings, Quintal and Corres. and Correa.

#### THE JOLLY COASTERS

Yesterday's games: At Oakland-Los Angeles 6, Oakland At Verson-Verson 2, Portland 1. At Salt Lake-Rain.

Team standings: Coast League W L PCT 
 Veruon
 .30
 17
 .638

 San Francisco
 .26
 22
 .511

 Los Angeles
 .23
 22
 .500

#### NEW YORK'S BIG DAY

Yestorday's games: American League At Washington-Chicago 4, Washing on 1.

At Boston—Boston 4, Detroit 0,
At Philadelphia—Cleveland 5, Philadelphia 4,
At New York—New York 10, St. National League
At Chicago—Philadelphia 6, Chicago, At Pittsburgh-Brooklyn 3, Pitts-burgh 2. At Cincinuati-New York 6, Cincin-At St. Louis St. Louis 5, Boston 4, TEAM STANDINGS.

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